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FROM: AMBASSADOR BUNKER, SAIGON 3181

TO: THE WHITEHOUSE, EYES ONLY HENRY A. KISSINGER

- 1. WHEN UNDER SECRETARY IRWIN WAS HERE IN LATE MAY, I SUGGESTED TO HIM THAT I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE USEFUL IF I SHOULD RETURN BRIEFLY FOR COMSULTATIONS IN JUNE. THE UNDER SECRETARY HAS INFORMED ME THAT THE DEPARTMENT WOULD FIND IT HELPFUL IF I COULD ARRANGE TO RETURN BRIEFLY FOR CONSULTATIONS DURING MIDDLE OF THIS MONTH. WHAT I SSHOULD LIKE TO DO IS TO LEAVE HERE JUNE 13, ARRIVING WASHINGTON SAME EVENING; REMAIN WASHINGTON THROUGH 16TH AND KEEP 17 TO 19TH FREE. I COULD THEN RETURN TO WASHINGTON FOR FURTHER CONSULTATIONS IF NECESSARY, BUT WOULD HOPE TO RETURN TO SAIGON EARLY IN WEEK OF JUNE 20.
- 2. MY REASON FOR WANTING TO KEEP 17TH TO 19TH FREE, IF POSSIBLE, IS TO ATTEND REUNION, MY FIFTY-FIFTH, AT WHICH I HAVE BEEN INVITED TO SPEAK. I HAVE REPLIED TO THE UNDER SECRETARY ALONG ABOVE LINES. I HOPE THIS WILL MEET WITH THE PRESIDENT'S AND YOUR APPROVAL. I THINK IT WILL BE USEFUL TO HAVE DISCUSSION AT THIS TIME OF FORTH-COMING EVENTS.
- 3. WARM REGARDS.

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